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In re: Application of NARAYANAN

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Examiner: Spiegler, A. H.

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For: NUCLEIC ACIDS FOR DETECTING COLON CANCER RELATED GENE
(CCRG) AND METHODS OF USE (As Amended)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Alexandria, VA 22323-1450

Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments, and consider the remarks herein. Examination and consideration is respectfully requested. This Amendment is believed to be timely filed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment of fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account 50-0951.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims which begins on page 17 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 22 of this paper.